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Sir:

<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97 AND 1.98</u>

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, the Applicant(s) would like to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office information that may be helpful in the examination of the above-identified patent application. All of the information is listed on an attached Form PTO-1449.

In this regard, benefit of the earlier filing dates of U.S. patent application number 09/232,948 filed January 19, 1999 and 08/728,025 filed October 9, 1996 are claimed under 35 USC 120 for the captioned application. Thus, information cited in the priority application is not supplied with this Information Disclosure Statement. See 37 CFR 1.98(d).

Respectfully submitted,

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